## Judicial Administration Committee Judicial Conference of Indiana

## **Minutes**

July 9-10, 1999

The Judicial Administration Committee of the Judicial Conference of Indiana met at the Sheraton North Hotel on Friday, July 9, 1999 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and Saturday July 10, 1999 from 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

- 1. <u>Members present</u>. Scott R. Bowers, Roland W. Chamblee, Steven M. Fleece, Frances C. Gull, John L. Kellam, Kirsch, Paul D. Mathias, Richard T. Payne, Stephen E. Platt, Tanya Walton Pratt and Ernest E. Yelton, Chair.
- 2. <u>Staff present</u>. Jeffrey Bercovitz provided the committee with staff assistance.
- 3. <u>Minutes approved</u>. The minutes for the meeting of the committee on June 11, 1999 were approved.
- 5. <u>Jury reform survey</u>.
  - a. The members of the committee revised recommendations for jury reform. They agreed that the recommendations in the final report of the committee should follow the order of the trial, followed by general commentary for each section.
  - b. Judge Mathias agreed to combine the reform recommendations and provide a draft of the final report of the committee during the first week of August. The members agreed to review the draft in advance of the August meeting, paying particular attention to their section. They agreed to circulate the draft report to the Board of Directors of the Judicial Conference of Indiana after the August meeting.
  - c. Mr. Bercovitz distributed a revised draft to the report on the jury survey prepared by Dr. Brian Vargus.
  - d. Judge Yelton thanked the committee members and staff for their excellent work on this project.
- 6. Next meetings. The members of the committee agreed to meet again on Friday, August 13, 1999, 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. at the Indiana Judicial Center; In conjunction with September Judicial Conference on Tuesday, September 28, 1999 from 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon; Friday, October 8, 1999, 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.; and Friday, November 12, 1999, 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. at the Judicial Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Bercovitz, Director Probation and Juvenile Services